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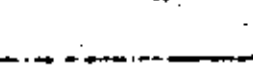
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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1899. _____ [132b]


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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1900.

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AMERICAN BANJOS, GUITARS,
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NEW MUSIC, SONGS, BOOKS, &C.
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Hongkong, 20th February, 1900. [235b]
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 Recommended by some of the Chief Specialists of the Medical Profession.
 Sold retail by all Chemists and Wholesale
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 (Proprietors and Sole Manufacturers),
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, at NOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd May, for the purpose of considering the Report of the Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1905.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 23rd instant, both days inclusive.

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that an **EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of the "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, on **WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of May, 1909, at 12.10 in the afternoon**, when the **SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS** will be proposed.

- 1.—That the **CAPITAL** of the Company be increased from \$100,000 to \$200,000 by the creation of 10,000 New Shares of \$10 each.
- 2.—That the New Shares be issued at such time or times and at such premium as the Directors may determine.
- 3.—That the New Shares be allotted to such persons and upon such terms and conditions as the Directors may determine.

Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1900. [578b]

**THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY,
LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of May, 1900, at 12.15 in the afternoon, when the SUBJUNED SPECIAL RESOLUTION will be proposed.

Should the said Resolution be passed by the

That the Regulations contained in Table A in so far as they apply to this Company be altered as follows:—

That the following clause be substituted for Clause 37 of Table A:— "The quorum for all the purposes of a General Meeting shall be not less than five members present in person or by proxy. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless the quorum requisite be present at the commencement of the business."

By Order,

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Auction.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions
from N. K. DAVIDSON, Esq., to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW

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THE WHOLE OF THE
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Comprising:—
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MAHO-
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SELECTION OF CHINA, WARE AND CUT-
LERY, PANTRY and KITCHEN RE-
QUISITES as usual and a COTTAGE PIANO
by BARTHOLO (nearly New).
This Furniture is in Excellent condition,
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On view on the 8th and 9th insts.
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Auctioneers.

the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are under 15 years of age is expected to increase from 1.1 billion to 1.5 billion. The number of people aged 65 and over is expected to increase from 200 million to 400 million. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion.

Today's Advertisements.

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CITY HALL.

THE EVENT OF THE SEASON.

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MUSICAL & DRAMATIC
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ONLY FOUR NIGHTS LONGER.

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ONLY.

Of the Delightful Japanese Opera.

'THE GEISHA'

With all the ORIGINAL SCENES, DRESSES
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SPECIAL NOTICE.

In Order to comply with a very widely-expressed request for the FANTOMME, Mr. DALLAS has decided to produce this on SATURDAY. As this elaborate production, however, will entail considerable time and labour, the promised performance of 'THE EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR' must be ABANDONED, and the Theatre will be CLOSED on FRIDAY.

in order to allow the arrangement to be carried forward for the
GRAND PRODUCTION
ON
SATURDAY NIGHT!
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of the Gorgeous Dainty Lane Fantomine
THE
BABES IN THE WOOD

With all the Original Scenes and Music
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Musical Director W. FLEMING VALLANCE.
The Magnificent scenery.
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Success which ran to crowded houses for
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With New and Elaborate Scenery,
Costumes and Effects.

PLAN at Robinson Place Co. Usual Prices.
Doors Open 8 p.m. Commence 9 p.m.
A late Tram will run to the Peak 15 minutes
after the Performance.

BERKHAM HERMANN,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [591b]

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 145.
A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNES-
DAY, the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m.,
precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited
to attend.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [590b]

SANITARY BOARD.

THE Attention of Owners of House Prop-
erty in the Colony is directed to the
Requirements of Section 7 of Ordinance No.
34 of 1899 with regard to the Provision of a
Backyard for every building above the building,
and to the fact that these backyards must be
provided before the 1st day of June, 1900.
By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Acting Secretary, Sanitary Board,
Sanitary Board Office,
Hongkong, 10th April, 1900. [590b]

EYE-SIGHT.

Mr. N. LAZARUS,
Oculist-Optician, of London and Calcutta, may
be consulted for SPECTACLES at
BREWER & Co.,
(UNDER THE HONGKONG HOTEL).
Business Hours: 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

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Constantly recurring headaches, spells of
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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, WEIHAUWEI, CHEFOO
AND TIENSIN.

THE Company's Steamship

"NANCIANG,"
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 10th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [594b]DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAMUN,"
Captain Hodgins, will be despatched for the
above Port, on FRIDAY, the 11th instant,
at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [603b]THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"MENAU,"
Captain R. W. Almond, will be despatched as
above on FRIDAY, the 11th instant, at
Noon.
The attention of Passengers is directed to
the excellent accommodation provided by this
steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric
Light and is supplied with a Refrigerating
Chamber.
A Doctor is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [594b]EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEEN-
SLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo
to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AIRLIE,"
Captain St. John George, will be despatched as
above on THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at
4 P.M.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-
sions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
The Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.
A Steadiness and a duly-qualified Surgeon
are carried.
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Com-
pany to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for
return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVI-
GATION COMPANY and vice versa.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [598b]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship.

"SOCOTRA,"
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID,
SUEZ, BOMBAY AND STRAITS.Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.This vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, &c., or S.S. Carthage.
From Zanzibar, &c., or S.S. Aspin.Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
10 A.M. TO-MORROW.Goods not cleared by the 16th instant, at 4
P.M. will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.All damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns and a certificate of the damage ob-
tained from the Godown Company within ten
days after the Vessel's arrival here, after which
no Claims will be recognised.A. M. MARSHALL,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [5]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,
LONDON, COLOMBO AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"INABA MARU,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods,
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
goods are landed.Optional goods will be carried on unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
Noon, TO-MORROW.Goods not cleared by the 15th instant, will
be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in
the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this
Office before the 18th instant, or claims in con-
nection therewith will not be recognised.NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 9th May, 1900. [597b]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS
BRANDIES.A.—Hennessy's Old Pale, Red
Capsule - - - - - \$18B.—Superior Very Old Cognac
Red Capsule - - - - - \$21

C.—Very Old Liqueur Cognac \$24

V.O.—D.—Hennessy's Finest
Very-Old Liqueur Cog-
nac, 1872 Vintage, Red
Capsule - - - - - \$30V.V.O.—E.—Finest Very Old
Liqueur Cognac, 1802
Vintage - - - - - \$48

All our Brandies are guaranteed to
be PURE COGNAC, the differences in
price being merely a question of age
and vintage.

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tles will be supplied at proportionate
wholesale rates.

We guarantee our Wines and Spirits
to be genuine only when bought
direct from us in the Colony or from
our authorised Agents at the Coast
Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 1900.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR.

THE ADVANCE IN THE FREE
STATE.

ENEMY IN FULL RETREAT.

LONDON, May 7th.

Lord Roberts wires from Smalldale
junction that he crossed the Vet
River on Sunday morning and the
force is now encamped there. The
enemy is in full retreat towards Zand
River and Kroonstadt. The British
losses were trifling.GENERAL HUNTER JOINS COL.
PAGET.

BOERS RETREATING.

The Boers have been expelled from
their position at "Fourteen Streams"
and the British are encamped on the
north bank of the river. After defeat-
ing the enemy on the 4th inst.
General Hunter joined hands with
Col. Paget at Warrenton.The Boers have retired from an
exceedingly strong position in front
of Thaba n'chu and General Rundle
has occupied it.

LATER.

THE ASHANTI TROUBLE.

SEVERE FIGHTING.

Ten thousand rebels attacked
Kumassi Fort between 25th and 29th
April. Two officers were wounded
and fourteen Houssas killed and
wounded. The Lagos constabulary
arrived at Kumassi on the 29th April
after two days severe fighting with
8,000 rebels. The force lost 5 officers
and 150 constabulary wounded.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:-
On the 9th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has
risen over China and Japan. The depression
is passing away to the N.E. of Japan, and pres-
sure is high over Central China. Gradients
slight for N.E. winds on the coast and in the
N. part of the China Sea. FORECAST:-Mode-
rate N.E. winds; fine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Sir Frank Swettenham, who is on his way
to report upon Wei-hai-wei, arrived yesterday
by H.M.S. *Terrible*.MAIL advices from Wei-hai-wei state that rebels
are being made and that the authorities are
quarrying out new sites for forts on the island
of Liuking-tao.When H.M.S. *Endymion* was leaving Wei-
hai-wei on the 21st inst., for Nagasaki, a blue-
jacket fell overboard but was rescued and
appeared to be very little the worse for his
ducking.THE south-west monsoon appears to have set
in with a burst of wind on Saturday night and
brought the warm weather with it. The late
migratory birds seem to have recognised the
fact and are leaving in a hurry. We hear that
many invaded verandahs on Saturday night on
the upper levels.ONE of the launches which went out to meet
the *Terrible* yesterday afternoon, belonging
to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., caught
fire astern through a large box of Chinese
crackers being accidentally ignited. The
flames, however, were soon got under, the
damage being slight.IN *Men and Women of the Time* we note
under "O'Malley, Sir Edward Loughlin," that
"in 1892 he was appointed Attorney-General
of Jamaica and Hongkong," which would point
to a dual post, rather difficult to fill, even by
one who easily surmounted all the dangers and
difficulties of the siege of Paris in the '70s.THE *Cologne Gazette* states that it has alarming
information as to Russian preparations for war.
The Tsar is about to proceed to Moscow,
whence orders will be issued for the general
mobilisation of the army. Officers furloughs
are to be curtailed and no more allowed. In
the natural order of things another Russian war
scare is quite due.AT the reception of the *Terrible* yesterday it
was amusing to note the tones of the whistles
in the various launches. Some were shrill and
some deep, while one or two were two happy
possessors of syrens. The best of all, however,
was the double whistle of the *Gladiator* which
kept up a series of the most weird screeches
the whole way up the Harbour.A PRIVATE letter from Wei-hai-wei dated 21st
April says:-The Boundary Commission started
yesterday. A Chinese man of war is here and
his captain, Sing, who used to be Chinese
Commissioner here, the Tantai of Chefoo and
Major Pentose are on the Commission. A
company of the Chinese regiment commanded
by Captain Pereira, goes with them.A MEMBER of Parliament tells a correspondent
a touching story of the Queen and Lady
Roberts. When Lady Roberts visited Her
Majesty a few weeks ago the Queen handed
her a small parcel, saying, "Here is something
that I tied up with my own hands, and that I
beg you not to open until you get home." When
Lady Roberts opened the parcel on her return
home she found it to contain the Victoria Cross
won by her son at the first battle of Colenso,
where he was mortally wounded.THE manner in which Yau-ma-ti is growing is
positively amazing and as there is plenty of
land suitable for building sites in the vicinity,
it only requires a little energy and capital to
relieve the pressure upon overcrowded Hong-
kong to a very considerable extent. To achieve
this object, however, it will be necessary for a
cheap and quick service of launches to be
established, which should call at some four or
five points on the Yau-ma-ti seacoast before
going on their way to Hongkong. House
accommodation might be provided in the same
manner at Kowloon City.WHILE the launch with the members of R. E.
N. C. O.'s Mess was running alongside the *Ter-
rible* yesterday afternoon, Sergeant Conway
R.E. signalled the following message by means
of the launch's steam whistle making a short
blast for the dots and a long one for the dashes.
The message was evidently understood as it
was appropriately answered by the signal-man
on the bridge.W E I C O M E
T O H O N G
K O N GA MEETING of the Sanitary Board will be held
to-morrow at 4.15 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

1. Report of the Medical Officer of Health
for the year 1899.2. Report of the Sanitary Surveyor for the
year 1899.3. Report of the Sanitary Surveyor for the
First Quarter of 1900.4. Reply relative to setting aside annually a
fixed percentage of the assessed taxes and
premium on Land Sales.5. A reply relative to the erection of additional
sheds for sheep and swine at Kennedytown
Depot.6. Further consideration of a proposed Observa-
tion Station under the Venice Sanitary
Convention.7. Report of experiments on rat poisoning in
sewers.8. Further reply relative to the removal of
the Urinal at the western end of the Cricket
Ground.

9. Plague in the city of Wuchow and suburbs.

10. Lieutenant-Colonel Ryan, pursuant to
notice, will move.That in accordance with the suggestion of
His Excellency the Officer Administering the
Government, the Sanitary Board in Committee
or a Committee appointed by the Sanitary
Board prepare with as little delay as possible,
for submission to Government, a comprehensive
scheme of Sanitary Reform for this Colony
with special reference to arrangements for
dealing with epidemics such as Bubonic Plague,
points of more immediate urgency being first
dealt with and forming the subject of interim
reports.

AGENDA.

1. Application for exemption from making a
backyard at No. 60, Hollywood Road.2. Further report of the progress of Bubonic
Plague in Tainan, Formosa.3. Statement showing Plague cases and
deaths in Bombay City, from 27th February,
1900, to 26th March, 1900.

4. Premises unfit for human habitation.

5. Fortnightly lime-washing return.

6. Mortality Returns from Macao for the
weeks ended 15th, 22nd, and 29th April, 1900.7. Mortality Statistics for the weeks ended
21st and 28th April, 1900.8. Thirty-five applications for licences to
keep swine.We learn that Commander Gault, R.N., the
Commissioner of Wei-hai-wei, has paid a visit
to Port Arthur, where he was well received by
the Russian Authorities who took him on to
inspect Tienanwan.CAPTAIN Percy Scott, R.N., in command of
H.M.S. *Terrible*, is, like "Bobs," hardly
renowned for his size, but he looks every inch
a sailor and is, as we have seen, just another
proof of the old saying that small parcels often
contain valuable goods.A SPECIAL Session of Her Majesty's Justices
of the Peace was held in the Justices' Room,
at the Magistracy, to-day at 2.15 p.m., to
consider an application from one Mrs. Catherine
Alice Bremner for the transfer of her adjacent
licence for the retail sale of intoxicating liquors
as an adjunct to her business as hotel-keeper
on the premises situate at house No. 8, Ice
House Street, under the sign of "The Waverley
Hotel," to one Mrs. Elizabeth Frances Stainton.
There were no Police objections and the applica-
tion was granted.ON the 24th March last a house at 110, Wel-
lington Street was broken into and a watch,
chain, and other valuables were stolen. Yester-
day, Lance Sergt. Territt, 27, acting on in-
formation, arrested a man and succeeded in
recovering all the stolen property, valued at
\$7.50, with the exception of the chain. The
prisoner, at the time of his arrest had some
money in his possession, and the Magistrate
directed that he pay \$7.50 to the Complainant
in lieu of the missing chain. The prisoner was
sentenced to six months' imprisonment with
hard labour.THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial
and Neithersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge
with thanks the following donations to the
funds of the Hospitals:-

Wing Kee & Co. \$5
Francisco Tse Yat 10
H. P. Tooker 5
D. W. Craddock 5
J. W. 5
C. A. Camisodia 3
Abdoolcader Esmaljee 3
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C. M. Beshania 2
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H. C. Golla 2
A Friend 1

WHEN Mr. Dallas and his company left here
for Manila last month, some of the company
left several boxes containing silverware and
certain in Thomas' Grill Rooms in charge of a
bar-boy who represented that he was the
Manager of the Hotel. When the ladies re-
turned here on Monday they went to the rooms
to get the boxes, but found on opening them
that the contents were gone. On making en-
quiries for the boy in whose charge they were
left it was found that he also had disappeared.
The case was at once reported to the Police
and so far so of the stolen articles, of the value
of \$100, have been found in the different pawn-
shops. The total value of the missing articles
is about \$200. We understand that the Police
have traced the thief, but that he is not far
away for capture, as he got away to Borneo at
the beginning of the month.THIS morning, at the Magistracy, the trial of
J. Adamson, T. Shay, G. Murray, T. Collins and
R. Carr, for stealing a bag, containing \$300 be-
longing to a money-changer whilst on board
the *Empress of India* in Yokohama Harbour
was concluded. His Worship discharged Collins,
found Adamson and Shay guilty of the theft
and sentenced them each to six months' im-
prisonment with hard labour, and Murray,
he convicted of receiving what he knew to be
stolen money and sentenced him to three
months' imprisonment with hard labour. His
Worship then asked the remaining prisoner,
Reuben Carr, if he had any further statement
to make. Carr denied all complicity in the theft.
He admitted receiving a sum of \$120 or there-
abouts in gold and silver in a bag. He
begged His Worship to be merciful with him
as he had given great assistance to the Police.
His Worship said the prisoner was an older
man than the others, moreover he was a petty
officer and on duty at the time. There was no
doubt the theft had been committed with his
knowledge, if not with his consent. In any
case he admitted receiving part of the stolen
money, and after taking into consideration that
he (the prisoner) had turned Queen's evidence
he would sentence him to three months' im-
prisonment with hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by
Correspondents in this column.)

THE REFORM PARTY.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."
Sir,—Will you kindly allow me space in
your paper to speak something of the Chinese
reformers and their enemies? At present these
reformers are receiving very kind treatment
from the hands of the British Government and
I daresay that without their great help, the
reformers would have long ago been finished
with. Therefore the Chinese reformers will
never forget the British nation for their kind-
ness. You are also aware I suppose, Mr. Editor,
the reformers have enemies in Shanghai, Hong-
kong and as well as in the Straits Settlements.
In Hongkong these reformers were current—
1st. The family of Chiu Shuyuan, Editor of
Thienman Shinpho, was arrested by the Chi-
nese authorities.2nd. The reformers have ordered 7000 pieces
of soldier's uniforms with the intention to rise
against China.3rd. Mr. Kang Yu Wei has used ill words
against the British.4th. Lo Feng Loh, the Chinese ambassador
in London, has signed the *Thienman Shinpho*
press in Singapore, also they have gone so far
as to say two men-of-war were ordered to
Singapore to arrest Kang Yu Wei and Chiu
Shuyuan.I have to inform you all the above are false
rumours; they are quite absurd and untrue. In
Straits a good deal was told against Mr. Kang
Yu Wei and all these you will find in the
Straits Newspaper. I understand the Editor of
one of the leading papers in the Straits
Settlements is a very good friend of Mr. Loh
Chong Yaw, the Chinese Consul General in
Singapore. The Editor always called on the
Consul General and I do not know what con-
versations had taken place between them, all
I know is what has been published in the
Newspapers which to my knowledge is injurious
to the Chinese reformers.I am Sir,
Yours faithfully,
A CHINESEMAN WHO LOVES HIS
COUNTRY TO PROSPER.
Singapore, 30th April, 1900.

THE "TERRIBLES"

THE REVIEW.

The review of the *Naval Brigade of the
Terrible* by His Excellency Major General
Gascoigne, Officer Administering the Govern-
ment, takes place to-day in the day to allow
of our giving our readers a report of the func-
tion this evening, for long before the review is
over we shall have gone to press. We have,
however, been able to glean the following
details:-The Naval Brigade will march up to the
Parade Ground from Naval Yard, the Hong-
kong Volunteers lining the route as a guard of
honour. The General will arrive at the Parade
ground at half-past five and will be received
with a "general salute" the parade presenting
arms and the officers lowering swords
while the salute is sounded. The men
will then be inspected and will afterwards
march past in quarter column of companies,
returning past the saluting point in quick
time. A few more evolutions will be gone
through, after which the General will address
the men and the parade will be dismissed.

THE DINNER.

We have been courteously informed by Mr.
McKie, who has charge of the arrangements for
the dinner following the parade this evening
that covers will be laid for a total of 536.Invitations for 400 have been allotted to the
Terrible and 50 have been sent to the ships
in the harbour, the men to be chosen by the
Commodore; a similar number have been
selected from the troops in the Garrison by the
General Officer Commanding.The remaining 36 will include those amateurs
who are giving their services at the smoker
afterwards.Seats for 278 will be found in St. George's
Hall and St. Andrew's will accommodate 258.
Sir John Carrington will be Chairman, sup-
ported by H. E. General Gascoigne, and J. J.
Francis, Esq., Vice-Chairman, supported by
Commodore Powell.The following menu, which includes no less
than 23 items, is in the hands of Messrs.
Madar and Farmer:-

1.—Roast saddle of mutton.
2.—Turkey.
3.—Cold Ham.
4.—Roast Beef.
5.—Cold Corn Beef.
6.—do. do. Tongue.
7.—Roast Capon.
8.—Sweetbread Pie.
9.—Pigeon in Jelly.
10.—Chicken à la Mayonnaise.
11.—Lobster à la Hollandaise.
12.—Baked Potatoes.
13.—Green Peas.
14.—Carrots.
15.—Vanilla Ice Cream.
16.—Chocolate Ice Cream.
17.—Nuts Pie.
18.—Jelly Tartlets.
19.—Sponge Cake.
20.—Custard Tartlets.
21.—Finger Cakes, Cheese, &c.

Messrs.

7.34.5. PONY RACE.—Once round. Open to British Navy and Army. One competitor from each Ship or Corps may enter. Ponies will be provided on the course. 1st prize, \$25; 2nd, \$15; 3rd, \$10; 4th, \$5.
8.50. P. M. —LIVE CATTLE RACE.—Open to British Navy and Army. From 1/2 mile post and in. Two competitors from each Ship or Corps may enter. Bicycles will be provided on the ground. 1st prize, \$25; 2nd, \$15; 3rd, \$10.
9.15. P. M. —TUG-OF-WAR. Final. 10.30. P. M. —KIMBERLEY RELIEF STAKES.—Prizes presented. Ricksha Costume Race. Open to British Navy and Army. Two couples from each Ship or Corps may enter. Rickshas will be provided on the course. 1st prize, \$30; 2nd, \$10. A special prize of \$10 will be given for the best costume.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"A RUNAWAY GIRL."

Last night the Dallas Company opened their season rather unexpectedly with the production of "A Runaway Girl," but despite the fact that but short notice had been given a large audience assembled in the Theatre and the piece, as was only to be expected from this talented company, went off splendidly. The principals were all most deservedly applauded, while "Soldiers in the Park," "Society," and "The Boy Gussied Right" again brought down the house. Flipper was quite himself and his song of "Follow the man from Cook's" kept the audience in a bubble of merriment the whole time, while his duet with Alice and the nigger dance following it was applauded to the echo. We trust that Mr. Dallas will consent to produce this play once more before finally closing his Hongkong season, for it is certainly the favourite here.

The theatre is given over to the Terrible Smoking Concert to-night. To-morrow, Thursday, the company appear in what is possibly their piece de resistance viz "The Geisha." It is too late in the day to criticize their performance of Owen Hall's dainty play with which they have charmed innumerable audiences all through the East, and Hongkongites are pretty well familiar with the plot and music. The house is sure to be crowded, and with the Terrible naval element well to the front, encores are liable to be hearty and numerous. Mr. Dallas has made some change in his original arrangements and we can now give the programme for the remaining four nights of an all too limited visit. On Friday the theatre will be closed in order to make the extensive preparations for the Drury Lane Pantomime "The Babes in the Wood" which Mr. Dallas is producing on Saturday—may we venture to think with a view to specially catering for our newly arrived naval friends? On Monday we have an important event, the production for the first time in the East of a musical comedy which has created a big success at Terry's Theatre, London. The piece "The French Maid" is by two of the leading London composers, and if the eulogistic criticisms to hand are to be credited, it is an extremely bright and tuneful one, full of sparkling melody and amusing climaxes. Its run of over twelve months at Terry's Theatre, London, is some proof of its substantial merit, and Mr. Dallas' company are in every way capable of giving it an adequate interpretation.

THE ESTIMATES FOR 1900.

THE ANSWER TO THE UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS' PROTEST.

The following is the text of the extracts from Despatch No. 50 of 16th February, 1900, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, regarding the memorandum from un-official members of Council, and the protest of the Honourable T. H. Whitehead on the subject of the estimates for 1900, which were laid before the Legislative Council by Command of His Excellency the Governor, on Monday, the 7th inst.

"16. I desire moreover to point out that I do not think it desirable that the whole of the small available balances of the Colony should be immediately swallowed up in the execution of Extraordinary Public Works as proposed by the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council, as I consider it very desirable that the Colony should possess considerable reserve funds, to meet the possibility of an unexpected and unavoidable diminution in the Colony's Revenues. The present Hongkong balances are comparatively trifling in amount.

"17. I concur in the view expressed in paragraph 4 of your despatch under acknowledgment that the proceeds of Land Sales are properly applicable only to work of permanent utility. This view has been frequently expressed in despatches from my predecessors, and it is in accordance with this principle that it was laid down in paragraph 36 of the Instructions for the preparation of Colonial Estimates referred to above that in the Abstract of Expenditure the head for works not annually recurrent should be kept distinct from the total Expenditure on other services, which should not, as a rule, exceed the total estimate of Revenue exclusive of Land Sales. It is not, however, necessary to re-establish the Special Land Sales Fund which formerly existed in Hongkong, out of which special votes outside the Estimates were taken for Extraordinary Public Works, since it is desirable to maintain the practice of placing the expenditure on the Annual Estimates. I would add that in recent years, although the Special Land Sales Fund has been abolished, the Expenditure on Extraordinary Public Works has as a matter of fact, on the average, more or less balanced the Revenue derived from Land Sales.

"18. I have carefully considered the memorandum from some of the Unofficial Members of Council enclosed in your despatch under acknowledgment, and also the protest from Mr. T. H. Whitehead, M.L.C., forwarded in your despatch No. 346 of the 1st December last, and the above remarks deal with most of the points raised by them.

"19. I would only add that I fully concur in their views, which are shared by yourself, as to pressing on Sanitary improvements in the Colony as fast as the finances admit; but I adhere to the opinion that it is not necessary or desirable to raise a Loan for financing any special expenditure in the New Territory, since the revenue from the New Territory appears likely before long to be sufficient to meet such expenditure, and moreover the Public Works contemplated in that Territory are not of sufficient magnitude or such a character as to render necessary or to justify the raising of a Loan.

THE PLAGUE.

Cases reported to 8th instant 163.
Do. do. during past 24 hours 10.

Total 173.

Deaths reported to 8th instant 148.
Do. do. during past 24 hours 11.

Total 159.

MORO FRONTING IN MINDANAO.

CEBU, P. I., April 27th.

News has just reached here of a furious engagement at Cagayan, Mindanao, between the insurgents and the U.S. troops, recently stationed there by Maj. Gen. Bates. The first report stated that the losses suffered by the insurgents were 220 killed and that four of their boats were sunk in the river. The American loss is placed at two killed and ten wounded, two of the latter subsequently dying of their injuries. A more conservative estimate of the insurgent losses reduces the number to 42 and this latter is probably nearer the truth. In the absence of any official statement however, details are meagre and hardly reliable.

The insurgents are said to occupy a strongly entrenched position, the only direct approach to which is through a narrow defile. This pass is strongly guarded and further protected by large boulders so placed that they may be easily detached from their position and made to descend upon any approaching attacking force with disastrous results. Great ingenuity is said to have been shown by the insurgents in the unique way in which they have secured themselves against attack, and as the only feasible plan now suggested for their dislodgement involves a long detour through an extremely rough and broken country, their present safety is apparently assured.

Cagayan is an inland town in the northern central part of the island of Mindanao. It is situated on a river of the same name and is the capital of the province of Misamis. Like many other towns in Mindanao, the insurgents had remained in undisputed possession until the arrival of Maj. Gen. Bates' expedition, which garrisoned the principal points on that island. As reported at the time in the columns of this paper, no open opposition was offered to American occupation, but the sullen manner in which the troops were received foreshadowed the present outbreak.—*Manila Times Cor.*

THE LAW'S DELAY.

An instance of the law's delay, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, by which an innocent man was kept in prison for about seven months, is reported in a vernacular contemporary. It appears that in August last year the Directors of the three Articles Exchange at Takata, Yamato, instituted a criminal action against Mr. Saito Hiroji, the manager of the Exchange, who was accused of having embezzled the sum of ¥4,238 out of the money belonging to the Exchange during a period from about January, 1896, to the 16th August last. In consequence Mr. Saito was arrested on the 23rd August last and detained in the Gogo Prison. The case was considered by the authorities to be of a grave character, and it was conducted with great care. On the 15th ult. the prisoner was examined, for the first time since his arrest, in the preliminary examination Court, and on the 17th of the same month for the second time. On the 19th of the same month he was released on bail. On the 20th inst. the preliminary examination was concluded, and the prisoner was acquitted on the ground of insufficiency of evidence.

Mr. Saito is taking steps through Mr. Wakabayashi, a barrister, to bring an action against the Directors of the Exchange for perjury and libel and is also claiming damages. He states that the Directors, in concert with some brokers, spent the sum alleged to have been embezzled by him, and brought a false accusation against him to conceal their fraud.

THE NEW SHAN VAN VOCHT.

"There's a storm upon the sea,
For the sky is leaden low;
And hark! how fierce and free
The thunders come and go!"

"There's no storm upon the sea,
And those thundering rolling free
Are our Queen's salute to Me,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht.

"And has, herself come o'er,
For who but you should know,
Her fixed time before,
O Shan Van Vocht?"

"Well, may be then she's riced
To be with us in such haste
Just to show Her grace towards us,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht.

"And what word is that she whispers
In your ear soft and low,
And what is that she asks you for,
O Shan Van Vocht?"

"She brings a shamrock spray
To wear upon Her wand,
And upon Her heart she'll wear it
For the Shan Van Vocht."

"And she says she's thinking fondly
Of fifty year ago,
When first she came to visit
With the Shan Van Vocht;

"She a young and happy bride,
Her Beloved One at Her side,
—And got a Cead Mille Failte
From the high and from the low."

"But since the Widow's loss
Like herself she's had to know,
For the Crown She's took the Cross
With the Shan Van Vocht."

"And Her tears are mixed with Mine
Before the Throne Divine,
For the boys that for her sake,
Are lying cold and low."

"So, my daughters and my sons,
When she rides down your row,
Sure, you won't be silent ones,
Only staving at the Show?"

"Ah! what call had I to fear it?
Och, that shout none e'er came near it!
How the Darlin' smiles to hear it,"
Says the Shan Van Vocht."

ALFRED PERCEVAL GRAVES,
in the Times.

"The Poor Old Woman"—A cryptic name for Ireland.

Penned Shan Van Vocht.

A PLUCKY YOUNGSTER.

A young bugler in the 1st Gordon Highlanders, with Lord Roberts' force is now on his second campaign, having, as a mere lad, been allowed to accompany his regiment through the Tinn. His father lies at Majuba, and his stepfather is a retired Sergeant-Major. When the battalion went to South Africa, he applied for permission to enter the ranks, but was refused in consequence of not being the age. At the Modder, however, he collared a rifle and packed his bugle away, but was detected by his captain. The disobedience of orders was brought to the notice of the late Colonel Durnham, who had at first refused the young soldier's application, but who then said, "Well, he is a strong, willing lad. Let him alone." He can get his bugle when it is over. The youngster has been in the ranks ever since, and in his letters home grumbles like a trooper about being made a navy in making railways and digging trenches, though he says he likes the shooting fine.

"Pa, what does M. D. after a doctor's name mean?" "Perhaps it refers to his patients, my boy, and stands for many dead."

THE WAR.

A BOER ACCOUNT OF THE AMBUSH.

BRANDFORT, April 2nd.
Burghers who are returning from the scene of the Sannas Post ambush describe interesting details of the occurrence. It appears that when the first retreating British wagon entered the drift, the ambushers shouted "hands up," removed the officers and let the cart through. This process was repeated several times until the wagons arrived in a bunch and the rise was discovered and a disorderly fight followed. In one cart were two officers to whom Commandant Dewet shouted "Hands up." One of them obeyed, whereupon the other shot his comrade dead, refused to surrender and was immediately shot.

The burghers lost three men killed and ten wounded, including a field cornet. Among the wounded was the Dutch military attaché, Nix, who received a bullet in the chest. Altogether the Boers captured 89 prisoners throughout the day. The significance of the battle must not be underrated. It was fought by a force of Free Staters on the flat plains and without shelter. The Free Staters are now desirous of marching on to Bloemfontein and the Transvaal officers are anxious to emulate the late successes of their allies.

All the southern Boer forces have now formed junctions with the main Boer army and form a large force of veterans. Perhaps of greater importance even than the victory was the capture of British secret papers, including maps and plans of 1897, 1898, and 1899, outlining elaborate schemes for the invasion of the Orange Free State and Transvaal and giving a plan for reaching Johannesburg from Mafeking along Dr. Jameson's route, amended so as to avoid his mistakes. Another gives a plan for the march from Bloemfontein to Kroonstad.

Advices from Vintnersburg, Prieska and Kenhardt show the colony is full of rebels. The Kenhardt rebels are marching on Calvinia and others are on their way toward Fourteen Streams. A dispatch box was found at Sannas Post containing the oaths signed by the Free Staters who surrendered. The general has been sent for in order that the General may explain the invalidity of oaths under compulsion.

The burghers, who were previously short of food, now have plenty. Commandant Dewet sent the British guns, wagons and prisoners to Wynburg.

FURTHER OPERATIONS.

LONDON, April 3rd.
The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times, telegraphing on Sunday with reference to the capture of the convoy, says:—

"The whole affair was a flash intended to frighten Free Staters who were desirous of surrendering to Lord Roberts. When General Colville arrived, although he was almost devoid of mounted men and had marched eighteen miles, he determined to turn the river, crossing at some point lower down than that occupied by the enemy. Accordingly, General Smith-Dorrien's brigade, including the Cambridges, attempted another drift, which turned the enemy's original position."

"For some reason Lieutenant-Colonel Flint's artillery was detached at 2 o'clock to the right, where it remained for a considerable period, shelling at 5,000 yards range three of the enemy's guns that were placed in the vicinity of Colonel Broadwood's encampment."

"Consequently a large force of Boers visible on the far side of the Modder escaped punishment and retired slowly as our infantry advanced. Finally our guns took up a position on rising ground between the two brigades, thus commanding both drifts, but by that time their support was not needed, as the only resistance to the advance of the British infantry came from guns firing shrapnel at far too long a range."

"We could, however, see the enemy in force in a laager at the foot of some hills lying between the Modder and Thaba Nchu and we could also see them move off our convoy to the rear. General Colville's division bivouacked on the river bank Saturday night awaiting the arrival of General French's cavalry."

THE REDDERSBURG DISASTER.

LONDON, April 6th.
Lord Roberts reports that five companies of British troops have been captured by Boers near Bethany. The following is the text of his dispatch to the War Office announcing the capture:—

"BLOEMFONTEIN, April 5th.
Another unfortunate occurrence has occurred, resulting, I fear, in the capture of a party of British troops, consisting of three companies of the Royal Irish Fusiliers and two companies of the Ninth Regiment of Mounted Infantry, near Reddersburg, a little eastward of Bethany railway station, within a few miles of this place. They were surrounded by a stronger force of the enemy with four or five guns."

"The detachment held out from noon April 3rd until April 4th, 9 a.m., and then apparently surrendered, for it is reported that the firing ceased at that time. Immediately after I heard the news during the afternoon of April 3rd I ordered Gatene to proceed from Springfontein, his present headquarters to Reddersburg, with all possible speed, and I dispatched the Cameron Highlanders hence to Bethany. We arrived at Reddersburg at 10.30 a.m. with our own position, but could obtain no news of the missing detachment. There can be no doubt that the whole party has been made prisoners."

THE FAR EAST IN PARLIAMENT.

Disturbances in China.
(March 30th.) Mr. H. Roberts asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether he would state if the country round Tientsin was greatly disturbed; and whether concerted action by the Powers was contemplated.

Mr. Brodrick: Disturbances had taken place in the provinces of Shantung and Pechili, stated to be due to the action of secret societies. Representations have been made to the Chinese Government on the subject by the foreign representatives, including Her Majesty's Minister, and the Governor of Shantung has been recalled and a new one appointed. Two of Her Majesty's ships have been sent to Taku for the protection of British lives and property.

Abduction of a Chinese Reformer.

Mr. J. Walton asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether Kwong Yu-pui, Chinese reformer, was living under British protection at Hongkong, and whether he would state if the Government proposed to take in order to secure his immediate release. Mr. Brodrick: The Government have received no information, but we have telegraphed to inquire.

Chinese Affairs.

(April 3rd.) Mr. J. Walton asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether the gunboat *Sandwich* was ashore near Samshui, on the West River, and, if so, what steps were being taken to ensure the effective patrol of the river for the protection of British steamers against piratical attacks; and whether he could now give the House any information as to the Chinese reformer, reported

THE ESCAPE OF BRITISH OFFICERS FROM PIETORIA.

LORENZO MARQUES, April 2nd.
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THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

The Oxford and Cambridge eight-oared contest of 1900 will be remembered as one of the most remarkable in the series which commenced in 1829. It was the fifty-seventh, Oxford having won on thirty-two occasions and Cambridge on twenty-four, while in 1877 the decision of the judges was that a dead-heat had been rowed. Never previously has any crew won with such ease as Cambridge did on the 31st March, and they made fresh records at every point on their course from Putney to Mortlake, except for the full distance, the time for which was returned by the most experienced timekeepers as 18min. 47sec., this just equalling the record that was made in 1893 by the Oxonians. Apart from a certain chilliness in the easterly wind, the 31st ult. was an ideal day for such an event. Following a mist in the forenoon the sun shone out brightly, and as the time fixed for the start approached an immense crowd assembled on Putney Bridge and along both the Putney and Fulham Embankments. In the neighbourhood of the boatworks there was a dense throng, and the river was lined on both sides with thousands of people, many of whom were waiting for the start, which was made at 11.15 a.m. What was wanting, especially after the contest began, was enthusiasm, and that could scarcely have been looked for when it was seen how utterly the Oxonians were outclassed.

Oxford had won the toss for choice of stations, and went to the Surrey side. As two o'clock struck Mr. F. Willan fired the starting pistol, and the race began. The crews struck the water together, Cambridge having a trifling advantage at once, but it was not until a few strokes had been taken that there was any decided lead. Then they gained so rapidly that the Duke's Head, little more than a hundred yards from the start, they were nearly half a length in front. Continuing to go away at every stroke, they led by a length and a quarter on passing the London Rowing Club flagstaff, and by two lengths at the end of the first minute, being then just off the Vesta Rowing Club. They had rowed thirty-eight strokes, and the Oxonians thirty-six, both dropping to thirty-two a minute. Cambridge were three and a half lengths ahead at Craven Steps, reached in 2min. 13sec. At the Mile Post where they were only rowing at the rate of thirty to the thirty-two of Oxford, they were five lengths in front, the time being 3min. 56 sec. There was no more to be said of the race, which in the two crews were rowing, but Oxford struggled on gamely, though thus early they were hopelessly beaten. The Cantabs reached Hammersmith Bridge in 7min. 10sec., no less than 25sec. in front of Oxford, who were at that time opposite the lower end of Gwynne's Engineering Works. When through the bridge, the Cantabs went away even faster than before, and were very soon a dozen lengths in front. Both crews rowed thirty strokes a minute up Cornely Reach, Cambridge passing Chiswick Church in 11min. 28 sec., half a minute ahead of Oxford. In Horse Reach there was a little mist, Cambridge being only dimly seen from the Press boat. The rate of stroke in each crew was still thirty a minute, and at Barnes Bridge the Cantabs were nearly a quarter of a mile in front, their time to it being 15min. 35sec., and that of Oxford 16min. 27sec. Before the steamer's sight round the final bend of river. But they soon came into view again, and were still rowing their steady stroke of thirty a minute. At the winning post Mr. S. L. B. Smith (L.R.C.) was stationed as judge on the *Comitia*, taking the place of Mr. F. Fenner (L.R.C.), who would again have officiated but for a sudden attack of illness. Fortunately the judge had provided himself with a large white flag, which he would have been impossible to say when the Cantabs had reached the finish of the course. When he dropped it, Cambridge had been rowing 18min. 47sec., and were about a quarter of a mile ahead of Oxford, who then were just opposite the lower end of Mortlake Brewery. They completed the course, but stopped a length or so short of the end, and drifted past the judge, whose decision was understood to be that the Cantabs had won by twenty lengths.—*L. and C. Express.*

GREAT BRITAIN'S REVENUE.

The Revenue returns for the year ending March 31 present a total far surpassing any figure of which the country has had previous experience. The revenue paid into the Exchequer was no less than £119,839,000, or eleven and a half millions more than revenue of the previous year. It is true that some part of this enormous total represents an anticipation of next year's revenue due to the rush to clear goods through the Customs House before the new taxes were imposed. But even allowing for this factor the rise in the year's revenue still remains unprecedented. It must be realised, too, that the rise is to no appreciable extent due to increased taxation. A few small taxes were imposed last year, but they in no way made up for previous reductions. In rough figures it may be stated that the revenue of the United Kingdom has in five years increased from £100,000,000 a year to £120,000,000 a year, solely by the growth in the national prosperity. That is a fact which may with advantage be noted by the pessimists who, less than five years ago, were prophesying the commercial downfall of England.

MR. REDMOND AND THE LOYALISTS.

During the night of the 2nd ult. some persons, supposed to be students of Trinity College, painted in oil-colours on the door of Mr. William Redmond's house in Leeson Park a large Union Jack covering the entire surface of the door. The columns on each side of the entrance were painted in alternate stripes of red, white, and blue, and the entrance gate was also similarly decorated. With reference to this practical joke Mr. Redmond has written as follows to the Irish newspapers:—"Dear Sir,—Allow me to express my acknowledgments for the kind attentions of the gallant loyalists of Dublin to my house. Their conduct in damaging the house is all the more heroic in view of the fact that I was away and my only old servant was on the premises. If the gentlemen who did this would only publish their names, I would endeavour to have them recommended for the Victoria Cross."

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THE CARE OF THE SICK AND WOUNDED.

The Secretary of State for War has issued instructions to be observed in sending soldiers on sick furlough or to convalescent homes from the hospitals at which they are first received on disembarkation. They are to be sent from the hospitals to their own or the convalescent homes direct, being provided with railway warrants for routes which will entail the fewest changes of carriage and detention at junctions, and not necessarily by the cheapest or most direct route. Care is also to be taken that the hours of arrival and departure are not before daylight or after nightfall. Directions are given for the method of rejoining for duty on the conclusion of furlough, and for the extension of the latter in case of continued illness. Advances of pay and allowances are to be made on commencing furlough, arrangements being made for such further issues as may be necessary.

PRO-BOER FEELING IN AMERICA.

The explanation of pro-Boer feeling in America is given by the *New York World* in the following table:—
A Disinterested Citizen, passing a certain house, heard sounds of tumult from within, and entered. He saw the Householder barricaded behind a pile of furniture and defending himself from the onset of five burly braves.
"How now!" said the Disinterested Citizen.
"What have we here?"
"These five men," replied the Householder, "have come in off the street and purpose to eject me from my house and take possession of it and all that therein is."
"Can this be true?" inquired the Disinterested Citizen of him who seemed to be the leader of the braves, and who was curiously decorated with a single eyeglass.
"More sophistry," answered he of the monocle. "We are civilisation. This Householder is barbarism. He has managed his house all badly and is unworthy to have charge of any thing. We are going to take his property away from him and administer it with wisdom, of which we possess a large store."
"All I ask," said the Householder, "is that these robbers go with me to court and allow a peaceable and impartial judgement."
Whereupon the five braves set up a great shout of derision and resumed their attack.

NOTANDA.

CALENDAR.

MAY.

Meteorological means based on ten years' observations to 1893.

Barometer 29.867

Thermometer 76.2

Humidity 84.0

Rainfall 15.0

YESTERDAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

On date at 2 p.m. On date at 4 p.m.

Barometer 29.88 29.88

Temperature 83 83

Humidity 77 69

Rainfall — —

TO-DAY.

Wednesday, 9th May, 1900.

Chinese—11th of 4th moon of 26th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises 5hr. 29min.

Moon—In Equator 5hr. 29min.

Moon—In Aquila 10hr. 4 a.m.

High water—Morning 6hr. 23min.

Afternoon 5hr. 23min.

Low water—Morning 11hr. 41min.

Afternoon 11hr. 41min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1805—Frederick Schiller died.

1892—New Town Hall at Tientsin opened.

1893—Waglan light first exhibited.

1896—Russian warships threatened to land men at Chefoo over the foreshore difficulty.

1897—Mutiny of Chinese troops at Woosung; ringleaders executed.

1898—The *Victor Emmanuel* sold by auction.

TO-MORROW.

Thursday, 10th May, 1900.

Chinese—12th of 4th moon of 26th year of Kwang-si.

Sun—Rises 5hr. 29min.

Moon—In Equator 5hr. 29min.

Moon—In Aquila 10hr. 4 a.m.

High water—Morning 6hr. 42min.

Afternoon 5hr. 42min.

Low water—Morning 11hr. 41min.

Afternoon 11hr. 41min.

ANNIVERSARIES.

1774—Louis XV. died.

1855—H.M.S. *Killer* destroyed a piratical fleet near Hongkong.

1857—The Indian Mutiny broke out at Meerut in Delhi.

1864—Capture of Chang-Chow by Col. Gordon and "The Ever Victorious Army."

1865—Jefferson Davis captured in Georgia.

1876—Great typhoon in Formosa 4 ships lost.

1885—Occupation of Port Hamilton by the British fleet.

1891—Hongkong declared infected with Bub

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(May 9th.)

Companies.	Paid up Capital.	Latest quotation.
Banks.		
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.	\$125	300 1/2 premium buyers
The Bank of China (Preference).	£ 5	Nominal
The Bank of China (Ordinary).	£ 4	61 buyers
The Bank of China (Deferred).	£ 1	£5.5 buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	\$20
Do. Founders.	£ 1	\$20
Marine Insurance.		
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$250
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$55
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Tls. 165
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$ 60	\$124
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$130
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$1
Fire Insurance.		
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$295
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$80
Shipping.		
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited.	\$ 15	\$304
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$92
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$100
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$100
China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Pref.)	£ 10	\$10.10
China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 10	\$10.10
China Mutual S.S. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 5	\$5
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$184
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 100	\$260
Refineries.		
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$127
Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$40
Mining.		
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 7	\$6
Punjom Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	\$1.20
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fcs. 250	\$300
Jebeu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$12.60
Raub Allain Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	150. 100	\$55
Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd. A.	\$ 5	\$5
Oliver's Freehold Mines, Ltd. B.	\$ 4	\$4
Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$5.12
Do. (Preference)	\$ 1	\$1.10
Docks, Wharves and Godowns.		
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	490 1/2 prem. buyers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$87 1/2
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$ 37 1/2	\$52 buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$20 1/2
Land, Hotels and Buildings.		
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$10
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$125
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$26
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$47
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$117
Humphrey's Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$11
Cotton Mills.		
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$37
Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 65
International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
Boy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 400
Yahong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 57
Miscellaneous.		
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$20 1/2
China Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$20
S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$16 1/2 buyers
Watkins, Limited.	\$ 10	\$10.70
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	\$ 10	\$14
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	\$ 2	\$2.10
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$135
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$170
Go Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$18
H'kong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$165
H'kong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$165
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$6 1/2
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$50 buyers
Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$16
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 1	\$1 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	\$7 1/2
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$11
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$8
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$5
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 4	\$4

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EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 9th.	
ON LONDON. Telegraphic Transfer	111 1/2
Bank Bills on demand	111 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	111 1/2
On Paris. Telegraphic Transfer	200
Bank Bills on demand	200
Credits, 4 months' sight	200
ON NEW YORK. Bank Bills on demand	47 1/2
Credits, 30 days' sight	47 1/2
ON HONGKONG. Telegraphic Transfer	100
On demand	100
ON SHANGHAI. Telegraphic Transfer	100
Private, 30 days' sight	72 1/2
On Yokohama T.T.	31 per cent. prem.
Sumatra, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.16
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	\$3.15
Silver	\$3.15
Dollars	2 per cent. prem.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, May 9th.	
New Patna	9 1/2 per chest.
Old Patna	1,000
New Benares	955
Old Benares	960
New Malwa	900 per picul.
Old Malwa	950
Persian opium	870/880

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.	
ABERGELDIE, British steamer, 2,438, J. Murray, 4th May, Portland, Or. via Japan Ports 28th Mar. Flour and General—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	
ALBION, British steamer, 649, Johnston, 3rd May—Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 21st April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
AMARA, British steamer, 1,553, C. J. Matlock, 7th May, Saigon, 1st May, Rice and Flour—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
BISAGNO, Italian steamer, 1,509, D. Maganzini, 7th May, Bombay 21st April, General—Singapore 1st May, General—Carlowitz & Co.	
CARMARTHENSHIRE, British steamer, 1,878, C. H. Burch, 4th May, Kobe and Moji 29th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.	
CHINA, American steamer, 3,187, W. B. Seabury, 6th May, San Francisco 4th May, Yokohama 28th, and Shanghai 4th May, Mail and General—P. M. S. S. Co.	
DEWANGONG, British steamer, 1,057, R. Curtis, 17th April, Saigon 13th April, General—Yuen Fat Hong.	
FUKU MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,825, Y. Hirayama, 6th May, Saigon 1st May, Rice—D. Well & Co., Ltd.	
HAIKUN, British steamer, 636, A. E. Hodgins, 8th May, Swatow 7th May, General—Douglas, Laprak & Co.	
HONGKONG, British steamer, 1,536, Spencer, 7th April, Moji 24th April, Coal—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
HOIHO, French steamer, 909, J. C. Gerard, 7th May, Pakhoi and Hoihow 6th May, General—A. R. Marty.	
HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 985, C. Ipland, 7th May, Saigon 3rd May, Rice and General—Jebben & Co.	
HOWICK HILL, British steamer, 1,562, Kelvert, 6th May, Moji 30th April, Ballast—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
INABA MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,839, W. Bainbridge, 8th May, Singapore 3rd May, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	

INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, A. Hatz, 12th April, Samarang 3rd April, General—Sander, Wiener & Co.	
MEHUR, British steamer, 1,286, R. W. Almond, 2nd May, Manila 4th May, Hemp, Sugar and Sundries—Shewan, Tomes & Co.	
MICHAEL JENSEN, German steamer, 710, Jessen, 7th May, Haiphong 4th May, and Hoihow 6th, General—Jebben & Co.	
MIKE MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,080, S. Kawamuro, 20th April, Bombay 4th April, and Singapore 14th, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	
PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,014, E. E. McLellan, 6th May, Koh-si-chang 28th April, and Swatow 5th May, Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.	
PHRA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. Fowler, 3rd May—Bangkok 23rd April, and Koh-si-chang 26th, Rice, &c.—Butterfield & Swire.	
PROGRESS, German steamer, 687, P. Brandt, 7th April, Touron 5th April, Rice and General—Siemssen & Co.	
QUEEN ADELAIDE, British steamer, 1,835, F. McNair, 1st May, Saigon 20th April, Rice—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	
ROMA, British steamer, 1,722, W. Storm, 7th May, Cardiff 22nd March, Coal—Order.	
ST. RIGULUS, British steamer, 1,999, C. W. McMullen, 7th May, Shanghai 4th May, General—Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	
SABINE RICKMERS, British steamer, 600, J. R. Nasbet, R.N.R., 8th May, Canton 7th May, General—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
SISHAN, British steamer, 845, A. Jones, 7th May, Saigon 3rd May, Rice—Bradley & Co.	
SIAM, British steamer, 992, H. N. Holton, 29th April, Bangkok via Koh-si-chang 21st April, Rice and Timber—Bradley & Co.	
TAICHOW, British steamer, 862, F. S. Primrose, 6th May, Bangkok 29th April, Timber and Rice—Butterfield & Swire.	
TAI LEE, German steamer, 328, T. Calender, 7th May, Saigon 3rd May, General—Meyer & Co.	
TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,459, R. Nelson, 26th Mar., Melbourne 13th Feb., Sydney 27th, Townsville 3rd Mar., Thursday Island 8th, Port Darwin 11th, and Manila 23rd, General—Butterfield & Swire.	
TETARTOS, German steamer, 1,578, T. Desler, 4th May, Saigon 30th April, Rice—Siemssen & Co.	
TSINAN, British steamer, 1,459, O. Anderson, 8th May, Manila 5th May, General—Butterfield & Swire.	

Sailing Vessels.

ESMERALDA, British schooner, 130, J. T. Harrison, 14th April—Canton 26th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
FRANZ, Danish bark, 358, Pedersen, 23rd April, Harry 3rd Oct. 1898, and Anjer 12th Feb., Coal—E. A. Trading & Co.	
GEO. T. HAY, British ship, 1,647, Spicer, 30th Mar., Manila, (P. L.) Mar., Ballast—Siemssen & Co.	
NORMA, British 4-masted bark, 1,999, D. McDonnell, 21st April, Cardiff via Anjer 4th October, Coal—Order.	
RICKMER RICKMERS, German ship, 1,828, Azaates, 27th April, Cardiff 23rd April, Coal—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
SANTA CRUZ, American schooner, 150, O. Keefe, 14th April—Yap 25th Mar., General—Master.	
WM. H. SMITH, American ship, 1,800, E. C. Colley, 27th Mar., New York 28th Sept., Kerosine Oil—Standard Oil Co.	

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

Hongkong, May 9th, 1900.	
Alacrity, despatch vessel, 1,700 tons, 10-6 p.m. g.f. guns, 3,000 h.p., Commander C. G. F. M. Cradock, Wei-hai-wei.	
Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. R. H. J. Stewart, Nagasaki.	
Aurora, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Hongkong.	
Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14 guns, 13,163 h.p., Captain G. J. S. Warrender, Wei-hai-wei.	
Benbow, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 18 guns, 9,000 h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrien, R.N., Manila.	
Brix, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 5,600 h.p., Commander Sir Bourchies Wrey, Barr., en route Singapore.	
Centurion, British flagship, 10,000 tons, 14 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. J. R. Jellicoe, Shanghai.	
Daphne, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p., Com. C. Winnington-Ingram, Hongkong.	
Endymion, British cruiser, 7,350 tons, Capt. G. A. Callaghan, Wei-hai-wei.	
Est, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 500 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. Chadwick, Ichang.	
Fame, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5,400 h.p., Lieut. Com. W. J. Keyes, Hongkong.	
Firebrand, 3rd class gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 300 h.p., Hongkong.	
Hamdy, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.	
Hart, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.	
Heracles, British cruiser, 4,360 tons, Capt. R. S. D. Cumming, Shanghai.	
Hummer, storeship, 1,640 tons, 800 h.p., Com. H. J. Davison, Hongkong.	
Linnat, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 4 heavy guns, 4-pounders, 870 h.p., Commander W. W. "Smythe," Singapore.	
Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. J. H. Burke, Hongkong.	
Peacocks, 1st class gunboat, 775 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. P. R. Coode, Singapore.	
Phaon, British gunboat, 1,015 tons, Comdr. R. G. Fraser, Shanghai.	
Piquet, 1st class gunboat, 750 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Philippines.	
Pique, twin screw, 2nd class cruiser, 3,600 tons, 8 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. H. C. Reynolds, Singapore.	
Plover, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. V. de M. Cooper, Hongkong.	
Redpoll, British gunboat, 805 tons, Lieut. Com. C. F. Corbett, Shanghai.	
Robin British river gunboat, 2 guns, Lieut. Com. G. G. Webster, on the West River.	
Sundpiper, British river gunboat, 2 guns, Lt. Comdr. Carr, on the West River.	
Swift, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4-pounders, 870 h.p., Hongkong.	
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, Comdr. Powell, C.B., Hongkong.	
Tenacity, British cruiser, 14,000 tons, 30 guns, 25,000 h.p., Captain Percy Scott, C.B., Hongkong.	
Twisted, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. D. Roper, on the West River.	
Undaunted, 1st class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 h.p., Capt. A. C. Clarke, Wei-hai-wei.	
Waterwitch, surveying vessel, 620 tons, Lieut. Commander W. O. Lyne, Hongkong.	
Willing, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 2,000 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. E. Kelly, Hongkong.	

Wittem, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 h.p., Hongkong.	
Woodcock, British gunboat, 2 guns, 560 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Watson, on the Yangtze.	
Woodlark, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. H. E. Hillman, on the Yangtze.	

Torpedo-boats in Reserve Nos. 8 and 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first-class; and 3 second-class boats.	
Miscellaneous.	
Liberal, Portuguese gunboat, 558 tons, Comdr. José da Cunha Lima, Hongkong.	
Presidente Sarmita, Argentine cruiser, 2,850 tons, Capt. Betbeder, Manila.	
Zaire, Portuguese gunboat, 528 tons, Captain, Mello, Hongkong.	
Zenta, Hungarian cruiser, 2,500 tons, Captain Edward Thomann von Montalmar, Swatow.	

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

The Russian Squadron.

Admiral Korniloff, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,000 tons, twin screw, 36 guns, 9,500 h.p., Captain Jakovlev, at Nagasaki.

Albatross, Russian gunboat, 810 tons, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Captain Eliskiy, at Nagasaki.

Bobbe, Russian gun-vessel, twin screw, 950 tons, 13 guns, 1,150 h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky, at Nagasaki.

Dimitri Donskoi, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,893 tons, twin screw, 34 guns, 7,000 h.p., Comdr. Sharon, at Nagasaki.

Gaidamak, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin screw, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Capt. Serebrennikoff, at Nagasaki.

Gremiatichy, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492 tons, twin screw 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Miklashevsky, at Nagasaki.

Korolya, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9 guns, 1,150 h.p., Capt. Sillmann, at Nagasaki.

Mandjour, Russian cruiser, 1,213 tons, twin screw, 14 guns, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Yakovlev, at Nagasaki.

Navarin, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 10 guns, 9,000 h.p. Capt. Yenish, at Nagasaki.

Nayevich, Russian cruiser, 1,334 tons, 14 guns, 1,800 h.p., Capt. Zarine, at Nagasaki.

Olivany, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,490 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Captain Copronoff, at Nagasaki.

Petrovskiy, Russian battleship, 12,000 tons, Capt. Grevais, at Japan.